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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 22, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A one-month petition for extension of time accompanies this amendment. As January 22, 2005 fell on a Saturday, Applicants believe that the following response is timely by being filed on the next business day.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.